



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q61365

Jean-Francois GRIMALDI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/673,614

Group Art Unit: 2833

Confirmation No.: 2115

Examiner: P. NGUYEN

Filed: October 19, 2000

For: A SPRING CONTACT FOR AN ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR AND A CONNECTOR INCLUDING IT

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	16	-	20	=	X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 28, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Five Times Amended) A connector, comprising:

a spring contact, wherein said spring contact is substantially U-shaped and has first and second branches and a base joining said first and second branches at one end for forming said U-shape, and wherein each of said first and second branches complete an electrical circuit with a device, characterized in that said first and second branches lie in two diverging planes and the intersection of said two planes is within the base of the U-shape, and